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## **U.S. District Court** District of Columbia (Washington, DC) CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:18-cv-01890-TNM

PAUL v. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE Assigned to: Judge Trevor N. McFadden

Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 08/13/2018 Jury Demand: None

Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of

**Information Act** 

Jurisdiction: Federal Question

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
08/13/2018	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT against All Defendants (Filing fee \$ 400 receipt number 0090–5635816) filed by PETER F. PAUL. (Attachments: # 1 Exhibit, # 2 Summons, # 3 Civil Cover Sheet)(Klayman, Larry) (Entered: 08/13/2018)
08/14/2018		Case Assigned to Judge Trevor N. McFadden. (zsb) (Entered: 08/14/2018)
08/15/2018	2	STANDING ORDER establishing Procedures for Cases Before Judge Trevor N. McFadden. The parties are hereby ORDERED to read and comply with the directives in the attached standing order. Signed by Judge Trevor N. McFadden on 8/15/2018. (lctnm3) (Entered: 08/15/2018)
08/15/2018	<u>3</u>	REQUEST FOR SUMMONS TO ISSUE filed by PETER F. PAUL. (Attachments: # 1 Summons)(Klayman, Larry) (Entered: 08/15/2018)

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08/17/2018	<u>4</u>	SUMMONS (2) Issued Electronically as to U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, U.S. Attorney. (Attachments: # 1 Notice and Consent)(znmw) (Entered: 08/17/2018)
08/24/2018	<u>5</u>	CIVIL COVER SHEET <i>Corrected</i> by PETER F. PAUL filed by PETER F. PAUL.(Klayman, Larry) (Main Document 5 replaced on 8/27/2018) (ztd). (Entered: 08/24/2018)
09/17/2018	<u>6</u>	STANDING ORDER establishing procedures for cases before Judge Trevor N. McFadden. The parties are hereby ORDERED to read and comply with the directives in the attached standing order. Signed by Judge Trevor N. McFadden on 9/17/2018. (lctnm3) (Entered: 09/17/2018)
09/20/2018	7	NOTICE of Appearance by Joshua L. Rogers on behalf of U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (Rogers, Joshua) (Entered: 09/20/2018)
09/20/2018	<u>8</u>	ANSWER to Complaint by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE.(Rogers, Joshua) (Entered: 09/20/2018)
10/12/2018		MINUTE ORDER. Before the Court are a complaint and an answer in this FOIA case. It is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall meet and confer and file a Joint Status Report proposing a schedule for proceeding in this matter. The schedule should address, among other things, the status of Plaintiff's FOIA request, the anticipated number of documents responsive to Plaintiff's FOIA request, the anticipated date(s) for release of the documents requested by Plaintiff, whether a motion for an Open America stay is likely in this case, whether a Vaughn index will be required in this case, and a briefing schedule for dispositive motions, if required. The parties shall file the schedule on or before November 5, 2018. Signed by Judge Trevor N. McFadden on 10/12/2018. (lctnm3) (Entered: 10/12/2018)
10/15/2018		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 11/5/2018. (hmc) (Entered: 10/15/2018)
11/05/2018	9	Consent MOTION for Extension of Time to <i>File Joint Status Report</i> by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (Attachments: # 1 Text of Proposed Order)(Rogers, Joshua) (Entered: 11/05/2018)
11/05/2018		MINUTE ORDER: Upon consideration of the Defendant's 2 Consent Motion for an Extension of Time, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file their Joint Status Report on or before November 8, 2018. Signed by Judge Trevor N. McFadden on 11/5/2018. (lctnm3) (Entered: 11/05/2018)
11/06/2018		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 11/8/2018. (hmc) (Entered: 11/06/2018)
11/08/2018	<u>10</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Rogers, Joshua) (Entered: 11/08/2018)
11/13/2018		MINUTE ORDER: Upon consideration of the parties' <u>10</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that a further update shall be filed on or before December 21, 2018. This report shall provide an update on the status of the production and the number of responsive records identified. Signed by Judge Trevor N. McFadden on 11/13/2018. (lctnm3) (Entered: 11/13/2018)
11/13/2018	11	ENTERED IN ERRORSTANDING ORDER Establishing Procedures for Cases Before Judge Trevor N. McFadden. The parties are hereby ORDERED to read and comply with the directives in the attached standing order. Signed by Judge Trevor N. McFadden on 11/13/18. (lctnm2) Modified on 11/13/2018 (hmc). (Entered: 11/13/2018)
11/13/2018		NOTICE OF CORRECTED DOCKET ENTRY: 11 Standing Order was entered in the wrong case. (hmc) (Entered: 11/13/2018)
11/13/2018		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 12/21/2018. (hmc) (Entered: 11/13/2018)
12/14/2018	<u>12</u>	MOTION for Extension of Time to File <i>Joint Status Report</i> by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (Attachments: # 1 Text of Proposed Order)(Rogers, Joshua) (Entered: 12/14/2018)

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12/17/2018		MINUTE ORDER: Upon consideration of the Defendant's 12 Motion for Extension of Time, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file the next Joint Status Report on or before January 4, 2019. Further requests for extensions of time shall be disfavored. A Status Conference is hereby set for January 11, 2019 at 10:00 am in Courtroom 2 before Judge Trevor N. McFadden. Signed by Judge Trevor N. McFadden on 12/17/2018. (lctnm3) (Entered: 12/17/2018)
12/17/2018		Set/Reset Deadlines/Hearings: Joint Status Report due by 1/4/2019. Status Conference set for 1/11/2019 at 10:00 AM in Courtroom 2 before Judge Trevor N. McFadden. (hmc) (Entered: 12/17/2018)
12/26/2018	<u>13</u>	MOTION to Stay <i>All Proceedings in Light of Lapse of Appropriations</i> by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Rogers, Joshua) (Entered: 12/26/2018)
01/02/2019		MINUTE ORDER granting 13 Motion to Stay. Upon considering the Defendant's 13 Motion to Stay, it is hereby ordered that this matter shall be stayed until Congress has restored appropriations to the Department of Justice. It is further ordered that the Defendant will notify the Court immediately upon resumption of appropriations. Signed by Judge Trevor N. McFadden on 1/2/2019.(lctnm2) (Entered: 01/02/2019)
01/29/2019	<u>14</u>	NOTICE of Restored Government Funding by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (Rogers, Joshua) (Entered: 01/29/2019)
01/29/2019		MINUTE ORDER: Upon consideration of the Defendant's 14 Notice, the Court hereby lifts the stay in this case. The parties are ORDERED to file a status report on or before February 12, 2019. A Status Conference is hereby set for February 19, 2019 at 10:00 am in Courtroom 2 before Judge Trevor N. McFadden. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Trevor N. McFadden on 1/29/19. (lctnm3) (Entered: 01/29/2019)
01/29/2019		Set/Reset Deadlines/Hearings: Joint Status Report due by 2/12/2019. Status Conference set for 2/19/2019 at 10:00 AM in Courtroom 2 before Judge Trevor N. McFadden. (hmc) (Entered: 01/29/2019)
02/12/2019	<u>15</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Attachments: # 1 Text of Proposed Order)(Graham–Oliver, Heather) (Entered: 02/12/2019)
02/15/2019		MINUTE ORDER: Upon consideration of the parties' 15 Joint Status Report, the Status Conference currently scheduled for February 19, 2019 at 10am is hereby vacated. The parties shall file a further Status Report on or before March 5, 2019. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Trevor N. McFadden on 2/15/2019. (lctnm3) (Entered: 02/15/2019)
02/15/2019		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 3/5/2019. (hmc) (Entered: 02/15/2019)
02/22/2019	<u>16</u>	NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTION OF COUNSEL by Diana Viggiano Valdivia on behalf of All Defendants (Valdivia, Diana) (Entered: 02/22/2019)
03/05/2019	<u>17</u>	STATUS REPORT <i>in lieu of Joint Status Report</i> by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Valdivia, Diana) (Entered: 03/05/2019)
03/05/2019	<u>18</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT <i>Corrected</i> by PETER F. PAUL. (Klayman, Larry) (Entered: 03/05/2019)
03/06/2019		MINUTE ORDER: Upon consideration of the parties' <u>17</u> and <u>18</u> Status Reports, it is hereby ORDERED that the Defendant shall provide the Plaintiff notice of the duplication fees associated with the Plaintiff's FOIA request on or before March 13, 2019. The Plaintiff shall provide notice to the Defendant about his willingness to pay these fees on or before March 20, 2019. The parties shall file a Status Report proposing a schedule for further proceedings on or before March 22, 2019. Signed by Judge Trevor N. McFadden on 3/6/2019. (lctnm3) (Entered: 03/06/2019)
03/06/2019		Set/Reset Deadlines: Defendant's notice due by 3/13/2019. Plaintiff's notice due by 3/20/2019. Joint Status Report due by 3/22/2019. (hmc) (Entered: 03/06/2019)
03/22/2019	<u>19</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Valdivia, Diana) (Entered: 03/22/2019)

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03/25/2019		MINUTE ORDER: Upon consideration of the parties' 19 Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that that the Defendant shall process 500 pages (or an equivalent amount of audio/video files) per month of responsive records to the Plaintiff's FOIA request beginning on June 3, 2019. Beginning on June 10, 2019, the parties shall file Joint Status Reports every other month on the progress of document production until such production has finished. It is further ORDERED that the parties shall file a Joint Status Report within 30 days of the completion of document production. This report shall propose a schedule for further proceedings as necessary. Signed by Judge Trevor N. McFadden on 3/25/2019. (lctnm3) (Entered: 03/25/2019)
03/25/2019		Set/Reset Deadlines: Defendant's responsive records to the Plaintiff's FOIA request due every month beginning 6/3/2019. Joint Status Report due by 6/10/2019, and every other month thereafter. (hmc) (Entered: 03/25/2019)
06/10/2019	<u>20</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Valdivia, Diana) (Entered: 06/10/2019)